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VOL. 21.

BAIRD, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, SEPT 4, 1908.

NO. 40

New Fall Goods Arriving Daily at



Dry Goods,
Clothing
and Shoes.

B. L. Boydston

BAIRD, TEXAS.

Groceries
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PUTNAM DOTS.

Sept. 1st—The past few days have been very dry and hot, and cotton is beginning to open rapidly. There has been thirty-five bales of cotton ginned here up to date.

Several of our boys and girls left yesterday for Gorman to enter school there

J. H. Surlles and C. W. Conner made a business trip to Abilene yesterday.

Capt. T. J. Norrell, our county tax assessor, was in town Monday.

He carried a jug of Putnam Mineral Water home with him.

There were five gallons of mineral water shipped to Mrs. Hilton at Wilmer, Dallas County, yesterday.

A nice building is being erected over Mineral Well No. 1.

Miss Mina Brown, of Scranton, has been visiting in Putnam the past week.

Miss Du Bose, of Nimrod, is now operator for the Putnam Telephone Company.

Deputy County Clerk R. L. Surlles and family spent Saturday and Sun-

day with relatives in Putnam.

Miss Lollie Brittain leaves today for Polytechnic College at Ft Worth.

MORE ANON.

Lost:—A pair of gold rimed spectacles. Finder please leave at Boydston & Davis' drug store. 40

When you want "A Real Good" and up-to-date trap or top buggy, get an Anchor at Austin & Gray's for less money than you pay for an inferior grade. 40-4

Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Rev. and Mrs. John Collier, residents of this place for nine years, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home Wednesday, Aug. 26th. They were married in 1858 in Burnett County Texas, and have lived in the State since. To them nine children were born, but only six living, all girls, Mrs. Henry F. Speer, of Dallas, Texas, Mrs. Henry J. Cochran of Walnut Springs Texas, Mrs. A. Sydney Cox of Metcalf Ariz., Mrs. Adolphus Ragan of New York City, Mrs. R. Lee Alexander

of Baird, Texas and Miss Edith Collier, the youngest lives with her parents.

A feature of the celebration was the large wedding cake that adorned the center of the table. It was decorated with ferns and beautiful yellow marigolds. The younger generations enjoyed listening to the tales of what happened fifty years ago told by both parents.

THE STAR extends congratulations and good wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Collier. May they live to enjoy many years of wedded life.

OUR MOTTO: "FAIR TREATMENT TO ALL."

LUMBER HAS ADVANCED

But we hold the PRICE DOWN. We, also, have the GRADES. We can cite you to some of the Largest and Best Buildings in the County, which we have furnished material for during the Summer. They show for themselves. You don't have to look for building material elsewhere than at the old reliable

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FAVORS BANK GUARANTY.

Hon. W. J. Bryan So Declares Himself at Topeka.

PROTECTION OF DEPOSITOR

People Who Entrust Their Money to Financial Institutions Demand That Their Interests Should Be Safeguarded by Legal Enactment.

Hon. W. J. Bryan addressed a vast audience at Topeka, Kan.

In his opening remarks Mr. Bryan asked: Why not make the depositor secure? The United States government requires the deposit of specific security when it intrusts money to a national bank, although it can examine the bank at any time; the state requires security when it deposits money in a bank; the county requires security and the city requires security; even the banks require security from the officials who handle money. Why should the depositor be left to take his chances?

A bank asks deposits on the theory that the depositor is sure of the return of his money, and the laws ought to make the facts conform to the theory.

First—The president has advocated a postal savings bank, and his postmaster general, in presenting an argument in its favor, pointed out that many millions are sent to European savings banks every year by Americans of foreign birth, who prefer to trust the state institutions of the nations beyond the sea rather than the private banking institutions here.

Second.—It is known that a considerable amount of money is now in hiding, increasing with the approach of a panic or business depression. This money is not only withdrawn from active use, but is likely to be withdrawn just at the time when money is most needed and when the withdrawal will increase the financial disturbance. It is impossible to reason with fear. It is futile to tell men that they will probably get their money. The moment the depositors suspect a bank they hasten to destroy its solvency. Distrust, and distrust alone, can explain the hiding of money.

Third.—The increase in the issue of money orders, payable to the order of the purchaser, is another evidence that people are seeking greater security for their money. The banks will pay an interest upon deposits, and yet those who buy money orders prefer to lose the interest and, in addition to that, pay the price of the money order in order to secure the government's guaranty.

Fourth.—National banks confess that their banks are not secure when they oppose the guaranty of state banks on the ground that it would lessen the deposits in national banks, and state bankers confess that their banks are not secure when they oppose a national guaranty system on the ground that it will draw deposits away from state banks.

Fifth.—The experience of Oklahoma furnishes conclusive proof that depositors do not feel that their money is safe in unsecured banks. One the 17th of December, 1907, the Oklahoma legislature enacted a depositors' guaranty law, which became operative Feb. 4, 1908. By the provisions of this law all state banks and as many national banks as desire to avail themselves of the law are taxed 1 per cent on their deposits, and the money thus collected is put into a guaranty fund. The banking board is authorized to make additional assessments from time to time to keep the fund up to this amount and is directed to take possession of any insolvent bank, pay the depositors in full and reimburse the fund by collecting the assets of the failed bank. Five hundred and fifty-five banks, including fifty-four national banks, had come under the provisions of this law on the 14th of last May, leaving but 255 unsecured banks (all national) in the state. Statements are made by the banks in December and May. Between these periods the secured banks gained in deposits \$4,237,765.22, while the unsecured banks, all national, showed a decrease in deposits of \$1,101,807.86. A large part of this increase represented money brought from hiding or from without the state, but the decrease in the unsecured banks can only be explained in one way. A large number of depositors withdrew their money from the unsecured banks and deposited it in the secured banks.

No amount of criticism of the timid depositor can change the facts. The people who deposit money want more security than the laws at present give them. They will change banks to get more security, and if necessary they will send their money to another state. The Democratic party, being more free than the Republican party to respond to the needs of the masses of the people, inserted the following plank in its national platform:

"We pledge ourselves to legislation by which the national banks shall be required to establish a guaranty fund for the prompt payment of the depositors of any insolvent national bank under an equitable system which shall be available to all state banking institutions wishing to use it."

The Republican platform is silent on the subject, and the Republican candidate not only does not advocate a compulsory system, but specifically and emphatically opposes it. He even pictures dire disaster and declares that

"if the proposal were adopted exactly as the Democratic platform suggests it would bring the whole banking system of the country down in ruin."

The chief cause of bank failures is the making of excessive loans to directors or officials of the bank. This is the fruitful cause of disaster, and it has been impossible to secure legislation protecting banks from their own officials and directors. Why? Because there has been no mutual responsibility. When all banks become liable for the deposits of each the stockholders will insist upon the enactment of a law making it a criminal offense for a bank official to loan more than the prescribed amount to one individual.

VILAS PASSES AWAY.

Former Senator and Cabinet Official Dies.

After a lingering illness Hon. W. F. Vilas died at Madison, Wis.

Madison, Wis., Aug. 28.—Hon. William F. Vilas, after an illness of several weeks, departed this life Thursday.

William Freeman Vilas was born at Chelsea, Vt., in 1840 and moved with his parents to Madison in 1851. He was graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1858 and practiced law until the outbreak of the civil war. He then recruited a company for the Twenty-third Wisconsin volunteers



WILLIAM F. VILAS.

and went to the front. He was soon promoted for gallantry and as lieutenant colonel commanded his regiment in the Vicksburg campaign with conspicuous ability.

After several years of active political life Mr. Vilas was appointed postmaster general by President Cleveland in 1885. He served in that capacity until 1888, when he became secretary of the interior. That office he held until March 4, 1889.

From 1891 to 1897 he was United States senator.

Twenty-Nine Miners Suffocated.

Near Haileyville, Okla., in Hailey coal mine No. 1, twenty-nine miners were suffocated.

Twenty-eight dead bodies were removed from the mine following a three hours' successful battle with the flames. It is thought that but one remains to be brought out. Twenty-five mules were suffocated, and some of their bodies were burned.

The twenty-ninth body was taken out.

Explorations in the channels revealed that none of the men met death by burning, but that all of them were suffocated. Some of the channels are three-quarters of a mile long.

After the entombed miners had gone down in the cage a fire broke out, occasioned by the ignition of a barrel of oil which a miner was trying to divide. The flames spread at once to the hoisting shaft and the airshaft, and all communication with the top was cut off. The first indication on top of the ground had of the trouble was the flames and smoke coming out of the top of the shaft. Hundreds of miners rushed to the scene and tried to get into the airshaft, but this was impossible, as flames and smoke drove them back. Then an effort was made to operate the cages running up and down the hoisting shaft, but it was found that the cages, the cables and the guides had been burned. There was absolutely no hope for the imprisoned miners. They had been there under the fire for nearly ten hours before rescuing parties gained access to the lower levels.

The mine is one of the most valuable in the southwest.

Confederate Veterans and Sons.

Amid, at city of Wills Point, Tex., tremendous enthusiasm General K. M. Van Zandt of Fort Worth was re-elected commander of the Texas division, United Confederate Veterans.

The veterans are in earnest about the schoolbook selection, and \$305 was subscribed to carry into effect the resolution adopted to carry the question of annulling the present contracts into the courts. The expressions in regard to the textbook business were emphatic.

The report of the committee on res-

olutions was adopted as read. After the adoption the paragraph relating to the textbooks was discussed briefly by General W. L. Cabell and Colonel Loggins, after which the paragraph was adopted by a rising vote.

The following brigadier generals for the state were elected: First brigade, J. T. Jarrard, Huntsville; Second, J. T. Largent, San Antonio; Third, F. T. Roche, Georgetown; Fourth, W. B. Berry, Brookston; Fifth, W. J. Lacy, Denton.

One of the most interesting features of the reunion was a sham battle between companies of Confederate veterans from Dallas, Fort Worth, Weatherford and Terrell on one side and the Terrell National Guards, aided by the local detachment. At the beginning of the engagement the cannon, "Long Tom," was in possession of the National Guard. The veterans captured it, and were in possession at the conclusion of the engagement. It was a thrilling scene.

Mount Pleasant was selected as the next place of meeting, and the last Tuesday in July as the date.

Colonel W. T. Shaw of Fort Worth was appointed adjutant.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans re-elected Commander Walter B. McAdams of Dallas.

Over 10,000 persons attended the reunion.

INTERESTING CASE.

Woman Files Claim Against the G. M. D. Grigsby Estate.

Dallas, Aug. 28.—G. M. D. Grigsby, a well known Texas railroad constructor, died June 30, 1906. His will, in which he left property valued at about \$500,000, including more than \$250,000, deposited in Dallas and Fort Worth banks, made his sister, Mrs. Eliza Rieb, residing in another state, the beneficiary. The will was filed for probate a few weeks after Mr. Grigsby died. D. J. Grigsby was named as executor. He is still acting.

In the probate court Mrs. Jessie Grigsby (nee Stallcup) has just filed application for a partition and division of the estate. While the petition does not so state, it is understood that Mrs. Jessie Grigsby's claim will be based on the statement that she is his common law wife.

The petition was filed through Attorneys Sewell and Dedman, and it does not make any allegations whatever beyond the mere statement that the woman is, or was, the wife of deceased, with the request for a partition and distribution of the property.

It is understood that deceased had no children. He had the right to leave the property to whom he desired.

Should Mrs. Grigsby be successful in her claim she will be awarded one-half the estate, the other half going to the sister.

It is learned that the claimant has lived in California and has a son, an actor. She was a Mrs. Graham, which is the real name of her son, who is billed as Mortimer.

LARGE FIRE LOSS.

Thirty Thousand Dollars Estimate Made.

Mineral Wells, Tex., Aug. 29.—Fire that originated in the Oaks hotel, supposedly from a gasoline tank, spread rapidly and caused a loss of at least \$30,000.

The fire was in a section of the city which has many hotels and boarding houses, and the excitement among the guests of the places and the citizens was great for a time.

Losses are as follows: Oaks hotel, building and furnishings destroyed; loss \$15,000.

Stratton House, two-story frame structure; house and furnishings destroyed; loss, \$8,000.

Presbyterian church, destroyed; loss, \$3,000.

Presbyterian minister's residence, destroyed; loss, \$3,000.

The Avalon hotel was burning at one time, but the flames there were extinguished before heavy loss occurred.

Practically all the guests at the hotels saved their belongings.

HOPKINS HANGED.

"Cut the Dog Loose and Let Me Die," His Last Words.

Muskogee, Okla., Aug. 28.—"I am an innocent man. Cut the dog loose and let me die."

This was the statement made by John B. Hopkins, the murderer of Lena Craig, a young schoolteacher of Ottawa county, as Sheriff John Luckey sprung the trap. Hopkins was a widower. Because Lena Craig would not marry him he shot her, cut her throat and then tried to kill himself Jan. 5, while traveling in a buggy.

Lip Bitten Off.

Waco, Sept. 1.—In a terrific encounter between two negro men one had his lower lip bitten off. He applied to the city physician for help, bringing the severed lip in his hand. It was too late to restore the lip, therefore the sufferer is disfigured for the balance of his life. An arrest was made.

Convicted and Fined.

Sulphur, Okla., Aug. 28.—Dr. W. G. Harry, charged with the murder of Dan Durgin near Crusher Christmas night, was convicted of assault and battery and fined \$100 and costs. Dr. Harry was accused of taking Durgin to his office to perform an operation and after scalping him, cut open his skull with a dull instrument.

Abernathy Again Injured.

Lawton, Okla., Aug. 29.—United States Marshal Abernathy had an adventure with a wolf Thursday that weighed 125 pounds. Five times was the animal captured before he could be confined. He badly chewed a finger of Abernathy, seriously lacerated another and injured a knee cap.

Spill Considerable Beer.

Oklahoma City, Aug. 28.—Eight hundred barrels of beer, valued at \$8,000, belonging to a local brewing company, were emptied into a sewer in the presence of State Dispensary Agent Rosser and Revenue Collector Howard.

Noted Chemist Dies.

Dallas, Aug. 29.—After an illness of many months L. Myers Connor, for a number of years a leading Texas chemist, died in a Fort Worth sanitarium. Interment was in this city, his home thirty years.

Peeping Negro Shot At.

Beaumont, Aug. 29.—Miss Grace Cox, eighteen years old, fired three shots at a negro whom she discovered peeping in a window of her bedroom.

Some Snake Story.

Billings, Okla., Aug. 27.—A farmer near Billings killed a big bull snake after it had swallowed a flock of seventeen young chickens.

SEPTEMBER						
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\$50.00 Reward.

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W. R. ELY, Co. Atty.

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To County Subscribers.

Look at date on your paper. If subscription is past due please remit at once. Accounts will be sent out in a few days and all who are as much as one year behind must pay up or we will be forced by the Post-office Department to stop their paper. THE STAR.

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25 cents per hundred.

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The Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties will pay above reward for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this Association, in good standing.

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The only three chair shop in the city.

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Osteopath.—Dr. Lula F. McManis desires to announce that she can be found at her office over The Home National Bank every evening from 2 to 6 o'clock, and will give the diseases of women and children special attention. 23-1f

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Mesquite Posts—10 cts each at ranch. W. B. ELLIS, Dudley, Tex.,

McGowen Bros. sell everything in the grocery and feed line. 38

Most anything you need in merchandise in all lines can be found at Hammans & Bro. 35

Bicycles and parts sold by us. Baird Machine Co. 25tf

NARRATED IN NOTES.

Ollie Roach died at Dallas from a knife wound.

A humane society has been organized at Elms, Tex.

South Carolina Democrats renominated Governor Ansel.

Gainesville, Tex., cannot supply the demand for rent houses.

Julian Sutton, a negro, was cut to death at Dallas in a fracas.

A new cable company will operate between Germany and Brazil.

Argentine republic is likely to strengthen national defenses.

L. Z. Reagin of Forney, Tex., has been a Mason fifty-six years.

Twenty-one naval recruits left Dallas Sunday for San Francisco.

Revolutionists are in complete control of several Persian districts.

Congressman Byrd was renominated in the Fifth district of Mississippi.

Mary Morgan, ten years old, drowned in the Colorado river at Austin.

Russell Sage estate yields to New York state nearly \$700,000 in taxes.

Three negroes drowned at Saluda, S. C., and one at Laurens in the flood.

Southern Pharmaceutical Journal, a monthly, is a new publication at Dallas.

George Bruce, while unloading coal at Claude, Tex., was killed by lightning.

Phillip Bryan was convicted at Dallas on charge of bigamy and given five years.

While playing pool at Shreveport John Tarkington, a young man, fell dead.

The fifth annual entertainment of the North Texas fair at Greenville was a success.

Two Temple, Tex., men contemplate the erection at that city of a large creamery.

Rule, Tex., thirty months old, with 2,000 population, will soon have a daily paper.

Longview, Tex., Elks claim to have one of the most elegant lodge rooms in the Union.

John Segler was thrown against a tree in a runaway near Gilmer, Tex., and his neck broken.

Seventy-five sawmill workers at Ratcliff, Houston county, Texas, went on a strike for ten hours.

George Thurner, a former well known citizen of Dallas, passed away at Stuttgart, Germany.

A movement is on foot at Paris, Tex., to organize a box factory with capital stock of \$20,000.

On the railroad dump near Chico, Tex., the body of Charles King, a young man, was found.

An unknown man leaped into Lake Michigan at St. Joseph, Mich., from a steamboat and drowned.

At Denison John Kelly was hit with a spade in the hands of another negro and received a fatal blow.

Herbert Forster, at one time a resident of Fort Worth, was killed by a train at Tarranton, Canada.

Patrick Anderson was struck by a train at Fort Worth. He sustained a broken leg and other injuries.

At Hot Springs, Va., Judge Taft, Mrs. Taft and Master Charles Taft were each presented a loving cup.

Chief Justice Shepard of the court of appeals of the District of Columbia is visiting at Dallas, his former home.

G. W. Winters has been appointed general passenger and freight agent of the Orange and Northwestern railway.

Vivian Oil company, capital stock \$100,000, which will operate in the Caddo field, has been organized at Shreveport.

At the same hour Cyrus W. Simmons lost his life in Lake Cliff, Dallas, Claude Fox was also drowned at Kidd Springs.

At Chicago Saturday over 31,000 persons witnessed the local National Baseball league club defeat 3 to 2 the New York team.

Twenty minutes after being taken with congestion the little child of Worley Pollard of Lamar county, Texas, passed away.

At Hereford, Tex., J. J. Kaufman got a verdict of \$17,000 against the Pecos Valley and North Texas Railroad company.

Boston capitalists expect to establish at Gainesville, Tex., one of a chain of cotton mills they intend erecting over the south.

Colonel T. J. Landrum, a prominent Kentuckian and owner of the Planters hotel, St. Louis, dropped dead at the Beach hotel, Chicago.

A three and a half inch needle was extracted at Eureka Springs, Ark., from the abdomen of the two-year-old child of John Ingram.

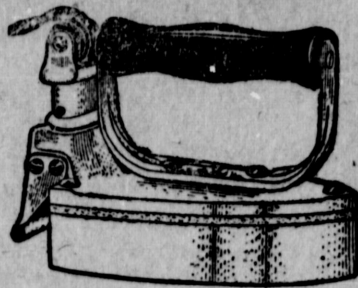
After shooting to death his wife, William Schlute, a St. Louis saloonist, went to his place of business, where he was arrested.

By the caving in of a sewer at Bartlesville, Okla., Arthur McCasland was killed and Phillip Dages and S. W. Thomas seriously hurt.

As he was cutting grass at Galveston near a railroad track Steve Williams, a negro, was struck by a train. His skull was fractured. Death soon ensued.

With revolvers two deputy sheriffs held a mob at bay at Douglas, Ariz., until Frank Butler, a negro, who shot Ernest Phillips, white, could be placed in an automobile and started toward Tombstone.

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Save all the walk from ironing board to stove and back. Save nearly half the cost of ironing. Save all the trouble in keeping the iron at an even heat. Save all the discomfort of a constant fire in stove or gas range on ironing day. Let us furnish you one on trial and we will convince you. Will run Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 11 a.m. Can wire your house on short notice.

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With an Indian club J. M. Brown, seventy years old, battered out the brains at Mansoon, Ia., of the wife of his son, George. Brown said it was the best deed he ever did.

A feature of the parade at Perry, Okla., Sept. 16 of the fifteenth anniversary of the opening of the Cherokee strip will be twenty-five horses who participated in the race into the strip when it was opened.

Near Paris, Tex., J. H. Roseer was attacked by a negro armed with a pitchfork. One prong entered his neck, another a jaw and a third entered just above the heart. Officers started in pursuit of Arthur Reece.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the P. O. at Baird Texas, for the week ending Aug. 29, 1908. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

- Mr. Lias Brown
- W. N. Moore.
- Mrs. N. H. Wilkinson.
- J. V. McMANIS, P. M.

Postoffice Keys.

Postmaster J. V. McManis requests all patrons who have keys to the old boxes to please return them at once.

For Sale

McManis farm on Pecan Bayou 181 acres, 30 acres under irrigation, 95 acres in cultivasian, 25 acres more good tillable land. For particulars, see or write B. L. Russell, Baird Texas.

Primary School and Kindergarten.

I will be in Baird Sept. 1st to arrange for the opening of a Primary School and Kindergarten. Term beginning Sept 21st 1908. Number of pupils limited: Your patronage earnestly solicited!

C. MAUDE SIMMONS, Lampasas, Texas, 39-3

You want to eat, McGowen Bros. have what you want and in any quantity you want. 38

Pasture Posted.

All persons are warned not to hunt or fish in my pastures on the Bayou. Keep out. 30tf

TOM WINDHAM.

Go to Boydston's and get some of those cheap lawns 32-tf

We have a nice line of books, stationery, etc. Hammans Bros.

New line of the latest sheet music just received at the Baird Drug Co. All the latest popular songs. 31

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Furnishes pure and healthy bread and rolls, made of the best material in the market and absolutely free of alum or any other substitutes, fresh every day, also a great variety of cakes. Phone 115. OSCAR NITSCHKE

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WE ARE THE FIRST TO HAVE THE LATEST AT ALL TIME.

If you have a bicycle, sewing machine, graphophone, gun, pistol, typewriter or anything in that line that needs repairs bring it to us. Baird Machine Co., Harry Berry, Mgr. 25-tf

NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County. 2-tf

T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

Go to Boydston's and get you the prettiest lawn dress in lawn for the least money. 32tf.

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Let us clean your old harness. We make them look as good as new. Hart & Pruitt. 40

We do all kinds of Jewellery repairing at Terrell's. 40tf

Resolutions of Respect.

Resolutions adopted by A. S. Johnson Camp No. 654 U. C. V.

Comrades, there has passed from amongst us, to report for duty on the other shore, our well beloved and much admired Commander-in-chief, Stephen D. Lee. Born in Charleston, South Carolina, Sept. 22, 1833; died in Vicksburg May 28th 1908.

When the curtain was raised in the first act "Destruction" in the great tragedy of the "60's", he was the first actor to step upon the stage. It was he who carried the order for Sumter to surrender, and when refused, ordered the shot fired, "That was heard around the world." From thence on for four long years he was a participator in all the great battles of the war, in both the eastern and western armies, and was ever present upon the stage, until the curtain fell at Appomatox.

When the curtain was rung up on the second act in the great tragedy, "Reconstruction", we find him actively upon the stage. Constantly and energetically he labored to build up the waste places of the South; following his great prototype, the sublime R. E. Lee, he actively engaged in the education of the youth of the South, never aspiring to politics, yet twice serving when called into service. Succeeding J. B. Gordon as our Commander-in-chief, he threw his whole energy into the work in order to make the organization a success, and when the summons came only a few short weeks before he was to call us together in reunion at Birmingham, it was found that his address had been prepared for the occasion. Thus to the last we find that he was true to every trust committed to his care.

And now when the last act, "Vic-

dication" will appear upon the stage the curtain will rise upon the tableau of the "The Last Confederate Soldier" and when it falls he will have "Passed over the River" and filled up the gap remaining for him, then will this great army of immortal patriots, marshalled by our late Commander-in-Chief and all other magnificent generals march forward to the "Great White Throne," keeping step to the refrain in the last dying words of our Knightly General Ellison Capers, "Cease firing; the victory is won."

Comrades, let it be resolved by Camp Albert Sidney Johnston No. 654 that we will try to teach our children to strive to emulate the many virtues of our departed Commander-in-Chief so that it will appear that he has not lived in vain.

Be it further Resolved. That we ask his family to permit us to mingle our tears of sympathy with theirs of sorrow and grief.

Be it further Resolved. That we appreciate the tender sympathy of President Roosevelt in ordering the flags at half-mast in honor of his memory.

Be it further Resolved. That we will wear our "Cross of Honor" draped in mourning for the period of sixty days in testimony of our grief.

Be it further Resolved. That copies of these resolutions be furnished to the Dallas News and the county press for publication and a copy be sent to his family.

Respectfully submitted.
W. C. POWELL,
HARRY MEYER,
Committee.

Go to McGowen Bros. for groceries

Ledgers, blank books, etc at Hammans Bros. 32a

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Trade is picking up

The gins are running.

Better be an optimist than a growling pessimist. Jno N. Simpson, the Republican candidate for governor, is the living embodiment of this theory. He says he has a chance to win.

Texas wants to roll up not less than two hundred thousand majority for Bryan and Kern, but a dollar each from that many democrats in Texas might help turn the tide in some doubtful state in Bryan's favor.

It is believed that Garner, of the Rio Grande district and Slayden of the San Antonio district, both have a hard fight on hands to retain their seats in congress. So much for injecting the prohibition question into the Democratic State campaign.

Gompers, the great labor leader, was in Fort Worth a few days ago. Mr. Gompers is out-spoken for Bryan for President and urges laborers everywhere to vote for him. He says Bryan is the hope of the labor cause and they may never have another chance to elect a friend of labor as Mr. Bryan has proven himself to be.

The politicians got away with the office of Commissioner of Agriculture. With the Executive Committee composed entirely of politicians nothing else could have been expected; though in all fairness the position should have gone to a representative farmer, provided of course, he was qualified. E. A. Calvin is said by those who know him, to be eminently qualified for the place and he is a farmer who farms for a living, and while the vote shows he was the strongest man on the first few ballots the politicians combined against him and elected a man who probably knows as much about farming as a Hotentot. THE STAR hopes some real genuine farmer will enter the race for the place at next election.

The Republicans started the campaign by saying that it was "the same old Bryan with the same old song" but they begin to realize that they have a fight on hand. Several things go to show that the Democrats are lining up for the greatest fight they have made since 1892 when Cleveland was elected by a majority of one hundred electoral votes. Poking fun at Bryan does not win votes. Whatever we may think about Bryan he is undoubtedly the strongest Democrat in the United States. This same old Bryan may make them sing a different tune later on. Everything indicates that Bryan will get a larger proportion of the labor vote than formerly, and if this should prove true in the out come he stands a splendid showing to win. Judge Taft is a splendid man, but he is not popular with a good portion of the laboring element and if a considerable part of the labor vote should go against him in some of the middle western states and New York he is liable to be defeated. Gompers at the head of the Federation of Labor, the greatest labor organization in the world, is on the stump for Bryan. This is significant. A big surprise may be in store for our friend, the enemy at the coming election.

COTTONWOOD LOCALS.

Editor Star.—We are getting dry at Cottonwood. Cotton needs rain on the hard land, though the cotton on the deep sand is doing fairly well with cold nights and cloudy days.

The Boy preacher has closed his meeting at Turkey Creek and is now holding a meeting at Caddo Peak store. The Baptist closed a meeting at Cottonwood last week with four additions to the church. Rev. Richburg has been called to preach for them next year, do not know if he has accepted the call or not.

W. F. Griffin and Lee Champion have a bunch of Santa Anas' descendants grubbing for them.

Mr. John Boothe has returned from Motley County and we learn that he intends to move there at once.

It is reported that W. P. Ramsey and P. Odom intend to move to Cottonwood to get the benefit of our valuable school, which speaks well for our Teacher, Harry Varner and also for our trustees for employing all home teachers.

In regard to the school tax we think all voters should read up and get posted on the question before the time comes to vote on the amendment so as to vote intelligently on the subject. To my mind all people who are intsered in Educational matters should support the measure as it gives the school community in the country a chance to have better school houses and longer terms. Our country schools last only about five months to the term. Still the country schools put out more teachers than the city schools.

Charlie and Tom Nordyke, Jim and John Robinson have returned from a trip to Southern Texas and San Antonio. They report many different kinds of country on the trip.

Frank Peevy, brother of our Constable, is up from near Burkett on a visit. Since he has gone totally blind he has learned to play the violin and there are few who can beat him on sacred music.

Frank Bennett has rented his farm to Mr. Ollie Foster and will move to Cottonwood.

Hollis Faulkenberry is moving his dwelling, the old Hall house east of town, to a point one mile from Cottonwood on the Cisco road.

The Cemetery Association has put the grave yard at Cottonwood in fine shape. They have about exterminated the grassburs to the delight of everyone who has to go there.

Respectfully,
KALAMITY.

You will hear some say they fear there will be a panic if Bryan is elected. This is not as big a boogaboos as it was twelve years ago, at any rate Bryan can hardly get up a bigger panic than we had last year with the Republicans in power in all branches of the government from President down to the smallest cross roads' postoffice. Bryan may have wheels in his head, but he has not got half as many as Roosevelt. There will be no panic, no matter whether Bryan or Taft wins. This prediction is based on the theory that panics don't come so close together. Politicians may try to scare the people with such guff, but we do not believe it will keep many from voting for Bryan. Texas will go for Bryan, and if it could be shown that everything in the country would bust wide open it would not change the result, possibly it might reduce Bryan's majority in the State a few hundred, that would be all.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Boydston have returned from Kansas City and St. Louis, where Mr. Boydston went to buy goods for his Baird and Clyde stores. Mrs. Boydston spent most of the time with Mrs. W. M. Henson of Kansas City.

FISH ITEMS.

Cotton picking has begun with us all. Mr. Gober thinks he has a bale opened.

Everette Gober received a very bad cut last week with a knife while cutting cane, but glad to report he is better now.

Mr. Alsbrook is adding some to his house which will help the looks of his place.

W. P. Brown, of Leonard, Texas, has returned to his home after a weeks visit with his cousin, B. J. Quillin. Mr. Brown says the West looks good to him and he is thinking of locating here. We will be glad to have Mr. Brown for he will make us a good citizen.

W. A. Young went to Abilene today.

Frank Martin and J. A. Savage visited B. J. Quillin Sunday.

J. A. Mosses' mother and aunt visited him last week.

Luther Manor and wife and children visited the writers home last week.

J. A. Gober and boys went to Potosi Tuesday.

J. R. Shackelford and children spent Saturday and Sunday with B. J. Quillin and family.

Beatrice Moso spent a few days in Elmdale this week.

There was an ice cream supper last night and all the young people reported a good time.

Mrs. T. H. Hampton and Mrs. R. D. Robbins spent a few days at the camp meeting at Eula.

Mr. John Moses of Elmdale was visiting his brother, J. A. Moses Tuesday.

T. H. Hampton is having his grain cut this week, B. J. Quillin is doing the cutting.

Mr. W. A. Young and wife went to Abilene shopping Monday.

Mr. Box of Hamby spent Tuesday with S. P. Johnson.

Mrs. T. H. Hampton's mother is visiting her this week.

The farmers are all smiles on account of the rain we had Sunday.

With best wishes to The Star and its readers, I remain, DAIEY.

(This letter was received too late for last weeks issue of THE STAR.)

Mrs. George Chollar and children have returned from a visit to relatives at Fort Worth.

Little Miss Mary Toogood, of Ft. Worth, is visiting her little friend, Elizabeth Dean, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. Fite left Wednesday night for a visit their old home at Hughes Springs, Cass County.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Paylor and children, of Fort Worth, spent several days here the past week the guests of friends. They have been on a trip to El Paso and also visited Mrs. Paylor's mother, Mrs. L. A. Rudmose, at Merkel.

J. B. STOKES President HENRY JAMES V. P. B. L. RUSSELL Cashier
W. S. HINDS Assistant Cashier

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We feel justified in asking for your banking business, assuring you always, courteous treatment and satisfactory service.

A Business Change.

I have purchased the interest of Mr. J. C. Chumney in the firm of Miller & Chumney and shall continue the business in the same conservative manner.

All accounts and notes due the firm are payable to me and all obligations I assume. I have placed Mr. F. A. Prideaux in charge of my interests here and all settlements can be made with him and I would request all parties owing the firm to see Mr. Prideaux and adjust their accounts.

I appreciate the patronage you have given my firm. I appreciate your loyal attitude toward my business and I feel grateful for your good will. Anticipating a heavy trade I have bought a large stock of lumber which is arriving daily and I would be glad to give you the advantage of a new clean stock to buy from and all business entrusted to Mr. Prideaux will receive prompt and careful attention.

40 P. H. MILLER.

Junior League.

Topic "A Fresh Start in the Home"
Leader—Kate Darby.
Lesson Ps. 90.
Song and Prayer.
Prov. 4: 1-7—Jeannette Driskill.
1st Peter 2: 5,—Edmond Webb.
Job 41: 24.—Carl Mahan.
Song.
John 1: 42.—Gladys Ham.
1st Peter 2: 4.—Kathryn Boyd-

stun.
P's 144: 12.—Bessie Austin.
Song.
Talk by Pastor.
Roll Call.
Benediction.

Austin & Gray will fix you up for house keeping for less money than any one. 40-4

Miss Mary B. White is visiting Miss Bettie Whitehurst out on the ranch this week.

Mrs. J. L. White, Mrs. Lizzie Clement, B. F. Pullig and others spent Sunday at Jim White's ranch. Mrs. White remained at the ranch, returning home Tuesday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

42d District composed of the counties of Callahan, Eastland, Stephens, Shackelford and Taylor:

THOMAS L. BLANTON,
of Albany.

For District Attorney.

W. P. MAHAFFEY.

For State Senator 28th Dist.

W. J. BRYAN.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

For County Judge.

C. D. (Clarence) RUSSELL.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

T. A. (Al) IRVIN.

For Tax Assessor.

T. J. NORRELL.

For County Clerk.

GEO. B. SCOTT.

For District Clerk

C. W. (Wilburn) TAYLOR.

For County Treasurer.

W. E. (Eugene) MELTON.

For County Attorney

R. L. ALEXANDER

For Public Weigher Baird District

J. R. PRICE

For County Superintendent.

R. D. GREEN.

For Commissioner Pre No. 1.

W. A. HINDS.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2.

PHILLIP YOST.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3.

GEO. ANTHONY.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 4.

J. G. (Jack) AIKEN.

For Constable Pre. No. 1

W. C. ASBURY.

See change in R. B. Spencer & Co ad.

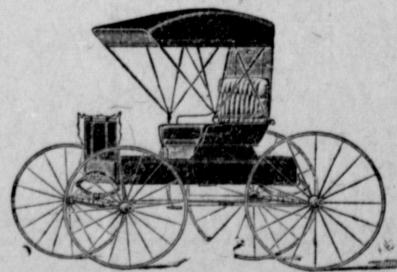
Buy your wife a Charter Oak cook stove and she will love you still. Austin & Gray. 40-4

Miss Annie Whitehurst, of Albany was the guest of Mrs. J. L. White last week.

We have just received a full line of automatic shot guns, winchester pump, and the 1908 model Remington pump guns. Austin & Gray.

Mr. Ben Pullig, of Cisco, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Conway, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. White.

NEW SADDLE AND HARNESS HOUSE.



Hart & Pruitt

BAIRD, TEXAS

We have opened our doors for business and kindly invite you to come and see us. We will carry at all times a complete line of Saddles, Harness, Buggies, Guns, Ammunition, Fishing Tackle, Etc. All repair work neatly done on short notice.

Highest in Quality---Lowest in Price

Shall be our motto. A wise man never overlooks a bargain, everything we sell comes under that head. We make a specialty of our own make of harness, try them.

T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

EAST BOUND

Arrives.
No. 4. Through train, Mail. 11:15 a. m.
No. 6. Mail 12:50 a. m.
No. 8. Ft Worth local, no mail 9:45 a. m.

WEST BOUND

Arrives.
No. 5. Toyah local, mail.... 4:10 a. m.
No. 7. Sweetwater local, mail. 4:00 p. m.
No. 3. Through train, no mail 7:10 p. m.
J. B. HARMON, Agent.

PERSONAL

Tom McClure is in Stamford.

When going hunting rent your gun from Hart & Pruitt. 40tf

Miss Daisy Powell left last Saturday for St Mary's College, Dallas.

John Wesley Turner has returned from Dallas.

T. E. Powell went to Abilene Sunday.

Lunch baskets for the school children at Boyles' 40-2

Miss Jennie Harris, of Admiral, was in Baird a few days ago.

See Hart & Pruitt for cotton pickers sacks. 40tf

Roy Jones went to Fort Worth Tuesday.

School opens Sept. 14th; get your lunch basket at Boyles' 40-2

County Attorney W. R. Ely went to Abilene Wednesday.

Boys and girls school shoes; look before you buy. H. F. Foy. 40-3

M. T. Keer, of Roscoe, was in Baird Wednesday.

School children will find their lunch baskets at Boyles' 40-2

Mrs. T. P. Bearden, of Thurber Junction, is visiting friends in Baird.

Buy your knee pads from Hart & Pruitt. 40tf

Let Hart & Pruitt mend your troubles by doing quick repairing. 40

W. N. Coleman of Clyde, spent Sunday with friends in Baird.

Miss Goldie Dodge, of Albany, is the guest of Miss Maude Wilson.

The school children will need a lunch basket. You will find them at Boyles'. 40-2

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wright, Monday August 31, 1908, a girl.

For Rent.—A Residence in the north-west part of Baird. Apply to 40tf Virgil Jones.

Chas. Morgan took his son to Scranton Tuesday, where he will attend school.

Lem and Earl Lambert left Tuesday night for Ft. Worth and Granbury.

For Sale.—My place in West part of town, known as the Oliver place. For price, terms, etc apply to J. W. Verney, Baird, Texas. 40

Men's shoes and shirts. Women's goods and skirts as cheap as dirt at H. F. Foy's. 40-3

Mrs. Clayton Rockwall and little daughter, Edith, of Cisco, visited Grandma McKinney and Miss Dora Warren the first of the week.

Hart & Pruitt for hand made harness. We give special orders our prompt attention. 40tf

J. O. Hall of Vineta, I. T., came down the first of the week to look after his ranch interests here. Mrs. Hall and daughters, Miss Janie and Mrs. Parker and Judge Parker will come down later.

DR. COX'S Barbed Wire



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POWELL & POWELL

We have a jeweler now. Terrell.

Mrs. Jesse Hart and daughter, Miss Mamie, went to Cisco Tuesday.

Miss Ola Asbury has returned from a visit to relatives at Fort Worth.

Miss Mable Daniel came in from Ft. Worth Monday to begin her her music class.

Mrs. Martha Gilliland who spent the summer at her ranch on the Bayou has moved back to town.

There have been fifteen or twenty car loads of calves shipped from Baird this week.

Quite a crowd of Bairdites attended the meeting at Belle Plaine last Friday night.

Mrs. G. M. Hall and son, Earl, have returned from a visit to Ft. Worth and Brazos.

Mrs. Joe Harris who has been visiting relatives here and at Admiral, has returned to her home at Handley.

Miss Effie Miller has accepted a position with the Southwestern Telephone Co. at Abilene and went to Abilene a few days ago.

Miss Lucy Yates, of Gorman, has returned and resumed her duties as trimmer in Mrs. Miller's millinery establishment.

Miss Nina Hampton, of Clyde, has accepted a position as trimmer in Mrs. Miller's millinery establishment.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Powell and children, of Ballenger are visiting relatives here.

Wanted:—Stock to pasture. 40-3p Luciel Bailey, Baird.

Mr. Stamper, general foreman of the T. & P. construction department from Baird to Toyah, was here Wednesday.

R. E. Davis has resigned his position at B. L. Boydston's grocery store and left Wednesday evening for Big Springs to accept a position with Gray & Burnes grocers.

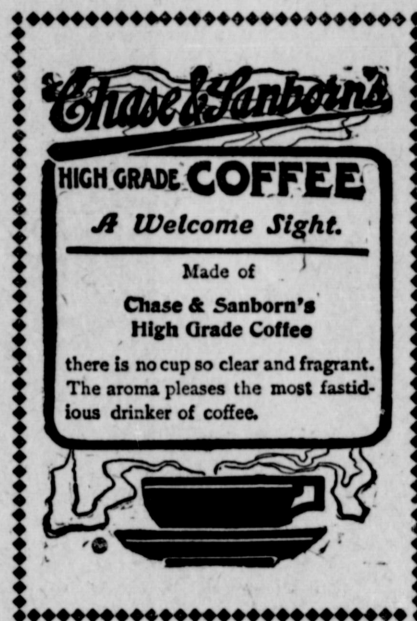
Private School.

I will begin my school on Monday, Sept. 7th. I earnestly solicit and will appreciate your patronage.
DORA B. WARREN.

Mrs. W. A. Oliver, Mrs. Frankie Oliver Graham and Miss Jessie Oliver, who have been visiting Mrs. H. O. Powell for some time, returned to their home at Dallas Saturday.

It's Just as Easy

To sell you pure, fresh, high-grade goods at a reasonable price as the other kind, and that is the reason our business keeps growing. People know that they can depend on the goods they buy at our store as being first-class all the time.



OMEGA FLOUR

Is the talk of the town, it is the best that has ever been produced. Ask your neighbor about it. If you haven't tried it order a sack and if it isn't like we tell you it wont cost you a cent.

McGOWEN BROS.,

Communion Day.

Remember that next Sunday is communion day at the Methodist Church. J. H. CHAMBLISS.

W. D. Boydston and daughters, Coryse and Margurite, E. C. Hall, Joe Stokes and W. S. Hinds made an automobile trip to Abilene a few days ago. Mr. Boydston sold the automobile to an Abilene man.

Miss Maude Simmons has returned to Baird and is making arrangements to open a Primary School and Kindergarten. Miss Maude has many friends in Baird, who gladly welcome here back.

W. P. Brightwell, of Oplin, Miss Jennie Brightwell from the Bayou, Mrs. Jennie Gilliland, of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Flores of Belle Plaine, were here Monday to attend the funeral of J. E. Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Conlee and Mrs. John Heyser, from near Putnam, spent several days here the past week with Mrs. J. E. Gilliland, sister of Mrs. Heyser and Mrs. Conlee.

If you want the finest of watch and jewelry repairing go to Terrell's Drug store. 40tt

Notice, Eastern Star.

Callahan Chapter No. 242, O. E. S. will meet in regular session Tuesday night, Sept. 8th. Officers for the ensuing year will be installed at this meeting and other business of importance to be attended to and all members are urged to be present.

Mrs. KATE RAMSEY, W. M. DEE DAVIS, Secy.

"Where there's a Will there's a Way."

Is an old and very true saying, and in nothing does it apply with more force than in the matter of saving money. Everyone should save some part of his earnings, as it is not what one earns but what he saves that makes wealth. Start a savings account this month with

The Home National Bank of Baird

"The Bank that Does Things"

Your children can do the washing if you will get a One Minute Washer at Austin & Gray's. 40-4

J. C. Chumney has sold his interest in the Miller & Chumney lumber yard to Mr. Miller.

Mrs. Chas. Pullig of Knox City, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Conway.

It will soon be cold weather and you will need a heating stove. Austin & Gray have them. 40-4

See new ads of Austin & Gray.

Paint your house over with Sherwin-Williams paint. It will look 100 per cent better. You can buy it at Austin & Gray's. 40-4

The VANISHING FLEET

ILLUSTRATED BY A. WEIL BY ROY NORTON

Still suspecting something unusual in such a singular visit and admission at this hour of the morning, the guards escorted him to the council room and waited at attention in the doorway when his presence was announced. To their surprise the emperor smiled as if in recognition, bade his visitor "Good evening" in English, and dismissed the soldiers. Reassured by this action, the men had resumed their accustomed posts, thinking no more of the matter, and regarding it simply as one of the unusual appointments which are made in such troublous times.

In less than an hour, during all of which time the guard at the door had heard voices in seeming conversation participated in by the three persons with the room, he heard the emperor and the chancellor burst into most unusual and hearty laughter. A few minutes later he was surprised when the emperor came from the room and went to his dressing chamber, from which he emerged in the plainest of



Told Them They Might Search Him.

civilian clothing, after which he beckoned to his two companions.

His imperial majesty cautioned the guard to let no one know that he was leaving or of the nocturnal visitor, and, still accompanied by the unknown man and the chancellor, passed from the palace. From this on he was traced to the very carriage door, which was closed behind the party by another attendant. The vehicle drove away in the night, the glow of the men's cigars being the last thing noticed by the man who escorted them, thus showing that all were on very friendly and intimate terms.

The conveyance itself was traced for several miles into the country, through the fact of its having passed several other rigs. There was nothing in its appearance to distinguish it from any other, and only the fact that the streets at that time of night were deserted enabled the officers to gather any idea of its direction. Others had been observed; but all were identified and accounted for, and it was by a process of elimination only that the one carrying the kaiser and his companions was tracked. The return journey of the vehicle, if such there had been, was not noticed, and therefore led to the theory that somewhere within the empire the kaiser and chancellor were being held prisoners.

The puzzling feature of the occurrence was that the emperor must have been acquainted and even on terms of friendliness with the man who decoyed him away. No anarchistic attempt could be deduced from the situation,

because with the careful search that had been made it was certain that there could have been no assassination unless a most remarkable concealment had been made of all evidences of the crime. Nor was it even tenable that the party had crossed the border line, because in a condition of threatened war all travelers were being closely watched.

Over every foot of the empire and into the most inaccessible portions, search was being made for the place where the nation's ruler and the chancellor might be held; but so far there had been nothing whatever that threw even the faintest ray of light on their whereabouts. The attempts of the secret service men and members of his majesty's family to keep his disappearance a secret failed, and indeed was unnecessary, for the people themselves had to be enlisted

in a quest involving the whole country.

It was at this juncture that a Roman horse trader, scenting a reward, offered his services and a suggestion to the police which was promptly acted upon. He described having met the carriage which was supposed to have taken away the emperor, and, following the instincts of the horse-man, he scrutinized the animals more closely than the conveyance. He said he was walking round a turn in the road, and was almost run over before he had time to gain a free way. One of the horses almost brushed him in passing, and he noticed not only a singularity of gait, but a peculiar white mark on the animal's flank.

The secret service men had already become convinced that the team belonged within the city, and so, as a forlorn hope rather than in the belief that any clue would be gained, they employed the gypsy, giving him license to adopt whatever means seemed the most likely to discover and identify the horse. With Romany cunning, he immediately secured a seat facing one of the most fashionable parkway drives, where he remained for hour after hour, apparently occupied in smoking a short black pipe, and presenting no marked difference in appearance from that of a hundred other loungers.

It was on the second day of the trader's watch that he jumped to his feet and excitedly ran after a passing turnout, until he could attract the attention of a mounted officer, who had been posted on the driveway for the purpose of assisting him in case his quest should develop anything worth following. The man pointed to the carriage ahead, and in broken German asserted his conviction that it was the one which had been used in the abduction. The officer, after giving him hasty instructions to report to headquarters, galloped down the boulevard in pursuit.

Much excitement was caused by the gypsy's story, and a group of the most prominent officials awaited the return of the mounted officer. One hour passed, and still another, before he appeared, and suspense by this time was at high pitch. They began to look at the horse trader with considerable suspicion, fearing a canard, and were almost on the point of sending others to search for the missing officer, when the latter appeared, clanking his spurs across the tiled floor of the entryway. He looked sheepishly about him before saying anything, and then addressing the captain, said: "This man is either mistaken or else the affair promises to be more serious than we at first believed."

"Well," said his superior questioningly, "what about the carriage?"

The officer leaned over and spoke in a confidential tone. "The carriage was that of the American ambassador!"

The captain started back as if paralyzed. He imparted the news in an undertone to his comrades in the room and the excitement grew. They dared go no further in this quest without consulting those of higher authority, and gathered into a private chamber, taking the Romany with them, where they waited till they were joined by the supreme head of the secret service department. This latter, in person, questioned both the gypsy and the officer who had followed the carriage. All that could be elicited from the horse trader was that he had been accustomed to observe animals closely all his life, was positive that he could not be mistaken, and finally, in a fit of sullen wrath, he swore that he would stake his life on this having been the animal which passed him on the night of the kaiser's disappearance. He even went further and asserted that the harness of the horses was the same which he had seen on that occasion.

The mounted officer was equally certain that the turnout was that belonging to the embassy, because he had observed it before, and knew the ambassador by sight, and this was the reason why he had made no arrest. He said that he had been prepared to do so when he overtook the team, but, identifying the occupant, decided to run no risk of detaining so important a personage, and contented himself with following the carriage throughout its journey and till it was housed. He then dismounted, and by a pretext engaged one of the stablemen in conversation, learning thereby that the ambassador had no horses other than these two. He had not deemed it advisable to make any further inquiries for fear of arousing suspicion.

The head of the secret service department saw that he was facing a very grave responsibility. He sent messages calling together the most important men in the government, and within an hour the findings were laid before them. They found themselves in a singularly embarrassing predicament. To take any action which might offend the representative of a nation which was already engaged in triumphant war, and of which the whole world stood in terror and apprehension, was something to be avoided. Even to suggest to the ambassador of the United States that he was suspected of having abducted the kaiser, an act of lese majesty in itself, was something which might arouse that man to appeal to his home government and topple Germany itself into an imbroglio which could end only in defeat. The attitude of America, up to the moment when communication ceased, had been friendly. Therefore, there seemed no logical reason for her taking any such unheard of action as that of interference with the person of his majesty. The consensus of opinion was that the situation was too delicate to admit of any ordinary methods, and that there was only one thing to do—keep the embassy under constant surveillance until by secret service methods they might learn what if any connection the ambassador or those about him had with the disappearance.

The gypsy received the promised reward, and from that hour on the American embassy was unceasingly watched day and night from without and within.

CHAPTER XI. A King is Lost.

Wearied by hours of suspense, days of anxiety and nights of alarm, the king of England sought relaxation. A period of disaster had reached its culmination where nothing much worse might be predicted. Germany had other occupations than those of aggression, and was now distraught in its effort to find the missing ruler, from whom no word had been received and of whom no information had been obtained. The American dread had been somewhat for days, and the first grief for the loss of the great British fleet had lost its poignancy and was becoming only a bitter recollection to be calmly discussed and speculated upon. After weeks of storm and stress there had come a lull in which England waited for winds more kind.

London had lived so long in misery that it had become callous, hardened, and enveloped in an air of gloom, conditions resembling those of that period of terror which overspread it in the great plague, but which led men by work and pretense of gaiety to seek forgetfulness. Once more the music halls opened, the theaters made their announcements, signs appeared on the boardings and old habits began in a sort of half-hearted way to resume their sway.

In this epoch of abnormality the atmosphere joined and sent upon the huge city a June fog, which settled down in the night, adding its blackness to that of the hour. And through it in quest of relaxation rode England's king. On leaving the palace he had no definite plan or destination; but the glare of the theaters lured and beckoned insistently to their wealth of light and entertainment, and he yielded.

His coming was unheralded, and attention was attracted to the presence only when the manager, following time-established custom, which forbade the turning of one's back upon a king, preceded him with steady bows to the royal box and took his place beside the equerry while the visitor entered. The hippodrome was to be honored. Within the box the royal guest seated himself behind the partially drawn curtains, where he could look out upon the bizarre performance and feel himself near a throng of persons. There was some satisfaction at least in mere proximity to companionship.

With languid interest and half absorption he glanced over the program, paying but small attention to what it contained. A herd of performing elephants galloped clumsily round in the ring below, obeying the shrill, nervous shouts of a woman clad in red tights, and then sedately marched out through an aperture by the side of the stage when the act was ended. A man clad in an ill-fitting dress suit, evidently the heritage from some predecessor, came to the front of the stage and began an ornate, rambling, and ungrammatical speech, announcing some wonderful exhibition which was about to take place. The monarch, suddenly aware of the voice, caught only the last words declaring it to be the "great event of the evening," and leaned back in his cushioned chair, his mind again reverting to the vicissitudes of government.

His reverie was disturbed by a conversation taking place at the door of his box. "The gentleman was very insistent that it should be delivered at once, otherwise I should not have brought it," he heard the manager of the theater say apologetically.

"Is there no place in the world where I can remain undisturbed?" the

king muttered wearily, and then called aloud: "Send that note in, whatever it may be."

With a salute his equerry handed him the message, which he idly held in his hand for a few moments before opening it, looking half abstractedly out of his box to where a man was being hoisted aloft and through an opening in the arched roof above. More or less indifferently he tore open the envelope and withdrew a card, at which he stared with a puzzled frown, as if doubting his senses. Surely this could be no jest. Upon it was scrawled:

"Admiral Robert Bevins of the United States navy desires a brief audience with his majesty upon matters which can be discussed in person only. If permissible, may he enjoy the seclusion of his majesty's box?"

Through the king's mind passed a succession of questions. What could this mean? Would anyone dare perpetrate a joke of this character, and if

so who would have the temerity? Was it not an absurdity that Admiral Bevins should be here this night in a London theater when his country was at war and had practically thrown the gauntlet into the lists of the civilized world? It was impossible! But he would send for this individual who by his paltry ruse would infringe upon the privacy of a king and see for himself what sort of fool he was.

"Show him in!" he said to the equerry, and then expectantly watched the door, wondering whether he was to face an adventurer or an imbecile. Between the king and the officer whose name appeared on the card was an intimacy of more than 30 years' standing. The name alone had sufficient weight to preclude the curt refusal of such an extraordinary request. If this was the friend of his younger days, nothing but an errand of the utmost importance could have induced him to seek an audience under such circumstances, and, on the contrary, if his visitor proved to be a nonentity or crank, the guard would give protection and summary punishment.

The door of the cabinet slid back, and a grim, scarred, weather-beaten man stood surrounded by the royal



With a Salute, His Equerry Handed Him the Message.

body guard. In utter astonishment that it should be the admiral standing before him, the sovereign rose from his seat and took a step forward.

They stood for a moment, the king and the admiral, and then slowly grasped each other's hand, casting the restraint of situation and the difference of position completely aside.

"Bevins," the monarch said, "for God's sake what brings you here in a time like this? Is there no limit to your daring, and nothing at which your country will hesitate? Do you come as a friend or as an American?"

"Both," answered the officer, standing squarely on his feet and looking steadily into the gray eyes, which persistently scrutinized him as if seeking to read the cause of his visit.

There came another instant's pause, and the king with a gesture invited him to be seated. The guard discreetly withdrew and closed the door of the cabinet.

Bevins continued: "I must apologize for intruding upon you; but I have journeyed a long way to deliver a message which permits of no delay."

"In an official capacity then?" queried the monarch dryly.

"Yes, official and friendly. I was chosen for this mission not only because of our known friendship, but for the reason that I could explain certain events to you better than any man living."

The king nearly forgot the distrust which he had felt first, and almost yielded to the impulse to drop all ceremony and ask his guest for an explanation then and there. He half rose and grasped the arms of his chair. His lips opened to interrogate, and then, his life's training and restraint resuming their hold, his tongue gave a dry click, and he again assumed a posture of repose. It was difficult to assume an air of complacency when

every muscle of his face called out to him to ask impetuously the one before him for the unraveling of the skein of events and the story of the fate of the British fleet. He veiled his curiosity, his emotion and his excitement behind a mask of polite reserve.

But what was coming next? His visitor, who had hesitated, now went on. "This is no time nor place for me to say what I have to; but as an emissary of my government I am asked to induce you, your prime minister and the first lord of the admiralty to grant me a private audience."

The king, impatient, curious and anxious, was yet relieved by what he heard. There was nothing very unusual in a request for a private audience under such circumstances, and he had hope that from it would come elucidation of all which he most wished to know. The morrow then would at least bring some ease of mind and some relief from uncertainty. Before he could reply the voice resumed:

"The audience must be granted to-night."

"To-night, to-night!" The sovereign forgot his aplomb, leaned his body toward his companion, and thrust his chin forward. There had been something in the use of the word "must" and the astonishing declaration that the interview should be conceded at once that aroused a little spark of resentment. And yet he was filled with a curiosity akin to anger.

The admiral was quick to read his royal host's annoyance, and hastened to conciliate. "Your majesty, as your friend I ask you not to misconstrue anything I may say. I am asking as a favor that I be allowed my own time and way—yes, that I even may be permitted to suggest the conditions of the meeting. Believe me, it is for the best."

The king was motionless and speechless for what seemed a long time. From his viewpoint of head of a nation and bound to maintain its dignity, and a man with a man's anxieties and anxious to learn from a friend's lips the story of the last month's secrets and disasters, he was considering what was best to do.

In an oddly repressed tone he answered with another tentative question. "As a friend I received you in my box, and now on this same basis I ask you if this communication of yours is so important and urgent that it cannot take its due course according to official custom?"

"Beyond official ways, your majesty, imperative and urgent," was the response; "otherwise I should not have chosen this unusual method of approaching you, nor asked for such an unusual audience in such haste and at such an unseemly hour."

To summon a king, a prime minister and the highest official of the earth's most mighty navy to a private interview at midnight! Even in times like these it seemed preposterously impudent; but this man came as a friend from the land of silent terror which threatened to conquer the world, was undoubtedly in deadly earnest, and was a means of information between what had actually happened and what was to come.

"Time will not wait, even for kings," quoted the monarch with some undershade of bitterness, and from his guest came the whispered return:

"No, time cannot wait, even for kings."

The monarch slowly settled back into the hollow depths of his chair and, as if seeking a moment's respite to review the situation, looked upward at the hangings of his box and then out toward the garish lights of the stage. The hush of expectancy over the house had reached a climax of intensity, and the master of ceremonies in a raucous voice was shouting toward the roof in deliberately prolonged tones: "Are—you—all—ready?" From somewhere above them came a faint response, "Yes," and then with speed gathered by its long flight through the air there came flashing comet-like from high above an extended splotch of white, the sound of a sharp splash, and a burst of applause as the "event of the evening," a high dive, was consummated. Neither occupant of the royal box paid any attention to this feat. Bevins remained in an attitude of expectancy, waiting for the king's next words. The success or failure of his enterprise might depend upon them, and in this light they seemed of almost tragic consequence.

"What do you propose?" the ruler asked, again facing the admiral as though there had been no lapse of time; and the other, relieved by this sign of assent, gave an involuntary and deep-drawn sigh of relaxation.

"If your majesty will be so kind, I think it best that I should meet you in the palace within an hour after your departure from this theater. That will give leeway for the other gentlemen to respond to the summons and be there at the appointed time."

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.

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COSTLY CONFLAGRATION

Fire Does a Vast Amount of Damage at New Orleans.

GOES OVER THREE BLOCKS

Business Section of the City Visited by the Fiery Element, and Losses Sustained Foot Up Between One and Two Million Dollars.

New Orleans, Sept. 31.—Fire which broke out in the center of the commercial district Sunday afternoon swept over portions of three blocks, destroying a large number of wholesale houses, manufacturing plants, and small stores. Originating at Bienville and Chartres streets, the flames worked their way north as far as Conti street and west toward Royal, bringing about a property loss of between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000.

Several circumstances combined to give the fire a headway which proved hard to overcome. At the time the alarm was turned in, shortly before 3 o'clock, the New Orleans firemen were in the midst of their annual picnic at a suburban park, and the engines and patrols responded with a mere handful of men. It was fully an hour before the department was in a position to make anything like a successful fight against the fire, and even then the handicap was added to by an inadequate supply of water.

The fire was one of the most spectacular that has occurred in New Orleans in recent years. The section devastated was made up largely of old buildings, some of them over a half century in use. They proved like so much tinder to the flames and, fanned by a high wind, the fire made rapid progress.

Two warehouses, filled with wines and liquors, were among the buildings destroyed. As they burned, the barrels of whiskey and brandy exploded with thunderous roars which could be heard for blocks, and which shook the walls of adjoining buildings and endangered the lives of the firemen.

GENERAL STEWART GONE

Gallant Confederat Departs to Eternity's Shore.

Biloxi, Miss., Aug. 31.—General Alexander P. Stewart, one of the last two surviving lieutenant generals of the Confederate States army, died at his home here Sunday. Although in his eighty-seventh year and suffering from the infirmities of old age, Gen. Stewart's death was sudden, and came as a distinct shock and surprise to his relatives and friends.

General Stewart had been in failing health here at the home of his son, Dr. A. P. Stewart, Jr., for a year or more. Death was due to heart disease.

A native of Tennessee, General Stewart lived the greater part of his life in that state, but of late had been making his home at Biloxi, where he found the salt air and pine woods of great benefit to his health. He was born at Rogerville, Hawkins county, Tennessee, Oct. 21, 1821, and received his early education in that state. Later he was appointed to the United States military academy at West-Point, and graduated with honors from that institution in June, 1842.

Following his graduation at West Point, he was made a second lieutenant in the Third United States artillery, and later transferred to West Point, where he served as one of the assistants to the professor of mathematics.

Resigning from the army in 1845, General Stewart accepted the chair of mathematics and natural philosophy at Cumberland university, Tennessee. Besides attending to his duties as a professor, General Stewart held a commission in the Tennessee state militia and served as an instructor in artillery.

At the outbreak of the civil war he was commissioned as a brigadier general in the Confederate States army; made a major general in 1863 and received his commission as a lieutenant general one year later. The close of the war found him in command of the Army of the Tennessee.

Like the Lees, General Stewart, after the close of hostilities between the states, gave himself up to the instruction of the southern youth, and served from 1874 to 1886 as chancellor of the University of Mississippi. In 1890 he was appointed one of the commissioners of the Chickamauga National park, and from that time until he moved to Biloxi he had made his home at Chattanooga.

General Stewart spent the last years of his life devoting himself largely to literary work. He was regarded as an authority upon the many stirring events which had marked the country during his lifetime, and several high honors were conferred upon him in connection with this work among the fellowship in the Royal Historical society.

General Stewart married at Warren, O., in 1845, Miss Harriet Byron-Chase. She died in 1898.

Only three months ago General Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, who held the commission of a lieutenant

general in the Confederacy, answered the last roll call, and his death left only two officers of the Confederacy of equal rank. These were General Stewart and General Simon Bolivar Buckner of Kentucky.

The body of General Stewart was sent to St. Louis for burial. He resided there some years.

Refusal Causes Suicide.

Little Rock, Aug. 31.—Because fifteen-year-old Mary Hartley refused to go to church with him, Carl North, aged seventeen, committed suicide by drinking a large quantity of chloroform.

FALLS ON KONE.

Democratic Committee Makes Him Nominee.

Austin, Sept. 1.—The state Democratic executive committee nominated Ed. R. Kone, county judge of Hays county, for the office of commissioner of agriculture, succeeding R. T. Milner, who has declined the nomination to become president of the agricultural and mechanical college. Commissioner Milner has been awaiting the committee's nomination to resign his office, as it is understood the governor will appoint the nominee to supply the unexpired term of the incumbent.

Judge Kone's chief opponent was E. A. Calvin of Lamar county, who was defeated on the fifth ballot, after eight others had been dropped or had withdrawn. The committee held two secret sessions during the day. In fact, only that portion of the concluding session during which the balloting was conducted was open to the public and press.

The first ballot resulted as follows: Calvin, 9; Kone, 7; White, 2; Wilson, 1; Grubbs, 5; Wade, 3; Irion, Kerr Surlis and Day none.

The second ballot resulted: Calvin, 9; Kone, 10; White, 1; Wilson, 2; Grubbs, 4; Wade, 2; Irion, Kerr, Surlis and Day none.

On the third ballot the names of White, Irion, Kerr, Surlis and Day were dropped. The ballot resulted: Calvin, 9; Kone, 11; Wilson, 2; Grubbs, 4; Wade, 2.

On the fourth ballot after a two-minute caucus Wade was withdrawn by Mr. Honeycutt. The ballot resulted: Calvin, 10; Kone, 11; Wilson, 3; Grubbs, 4.

On the fifth ballot Mr. Sherrill withdrew Mr. Grubbs' name and Wilson was dropped. The ballot resulted: Calvin, 10; Kone, 19. On this ballot the chairman voted.

There was a brief demonstration when the election was announced and Judge Kone was called for. He made a brief speech, in which he expressed his profound gratitude for the honor, both for himself and for his section of the state.

Mr. Calvin then asked to make a motion making the nomination unanimous. This carried.

GOMPERS IN TEXAS.

Head of American Federation of Labor Visits Fort Worth.

Fort Worth, Sept. 1.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the guest Monday night at an informal banquet at Hotel Worth tendered by about fifty labor leaders and prominent citizens. In the afternoon Mr. Gompers witnessed the baseball game between Dallas and Fort Worth and appeared to enjoy it. In an interview he said:

"I firmly believe William J. Bryan will be the next president of the United States. I have traveled a great deal since both the big parties made their national nominations, and I have never seen so much unanimity in favor of one man, not only in union labor circles, but in all circles, labor and otherwise, as I have witnessed for the great commoner.

"He will be elected as surely as night follows day. Hearst's party will not hurt him. Mr. Hearst in the independence party simply has a political toy."

Mr. Gompers, despite advancing years, is vigorous in mind and body. He talks with the calm deliberation, though without hesitation, of a man of decisive action. His step is as light and elastic as a youth of twenty-one, and his voice as clear in tone as that of a man half his age.

TEXAS DIVINE AT BERLIN.

His Theme "Baptists Pioneers in Liberty of Conscience."

Berlin, Aug. 31.—Rev. Dr. Newman of Texas, the church historian, addressed the congress of European Baptists in session here on "Baptists as Pioneers in Liberty of Conscience."

He said coming as he did from a land where liberty of conscience prevailed for more than a century, he felt somewhat at a disadvantage before a gathering to many of whom oppression was a horrible reality. Dr. Newman illustrated the wisdom of complete liberty of conscience as demonstrated in America.

FISCAL YEAR ENDS.

Over Three and a Half Million Dollars Needed For Ensuing Year.

Austin, Aug. 31.—Monday was the end of the fiscal year with the state government. State Treasurer Sparks announced that he had \$800,000 in

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cash available to begin the new fiscal year. Deficiencies created during the fiscal year just ended aggregate approximately \$50,000. There will be plenty of cash to meet all state obligations. It will require \$3,578,671 to run the state government the new fiscal year.

Will Hold Tobacco Crop.

Paducah, Ky., Aug. 29.—Dark Tobacco association will hold the 1908 crop until 1907 output is all sold.

Free Mail Delivery For Paragould.

Paragould, Ark., Aug. 29.—Beginning Nov. 15 this city will have free mail delivery. There will be three carriers.

Seven-Story Structure.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Aug. 29.—Dr. R. C. Thompson will erect a seven-story office building.

Drank Bug Poison, Dies.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Miss Ella C. Redmond drank bug poison. Death soon ensued.

Aged Darkey Passes Away.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 26.—Esau Reed, claiming to be 106 years old, died in Henrico county.

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J. E. GILLILAND DEAD.

J. E. (Eli) Gilliland died at his home last Sunday after an illness of about thirty-five days. He was taken ill a few days before the primary in July. Dr. R. G. Powell the attending physician advised him some weeks before his death that an operation was necessary, but he did not give his consent finally until he realized this was the only hope, and early last week he consented to have the operation performed Saturday. Saturday evening between 4 and 5 o'clock Dr. Powell, assisted by Drs. Fraser and Griggs performed the operation. He rallied after the operation, seemingly very well, and the family and friends had some hope it would prove successful; he expressed himself as feeling much relieved and after the operation up to 3 o'clock Sunday morning he rested fairly well, but at that hour it was noticed that he was growing worse. He sank gradually and at 11 o'clock breathed his last. The remains were interred in Baird Cemetery Monday morning at 11 o'clock by the Masons and Odd Fellows both of which he long been a member.

J. E. Gilliland was born March 10, 1850 and was 58 years old at his last birthday. He was the eldest child of John T. and Rebecca Gilliland, who were among the early settlers of Tarrant County and moved to this county about 76 or 77. One brother J. Y. (Cap) Gilliland and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Brightwell and Mrs. Fanny McWhorter survive him. All of them were with him when he died. He was a cousin of the writer, Mrs. W. E. Gilliland, Mose Franklin of Baird, and H. and Tom Windham of Tecumseh, and Mrs. C. C. Edwards of Abilene. His wife and five children survive him, two daughters and three sons. The children are Eva, Perry, Sam, Rexie and Willie, the baby boy, about three years old. Two children a boy and a girl died several years ago. The children, all except the youngest, are nearly grown and are at home with their mother. He left them the home place and a business house in town. He carried two thousand dollars in life insurance.

Eli Gilliland was well known in this County, having worked in the Assessors office with Uncle Tom Norrell, the Assessor, for many years and has made the tax rolls for a long time. For six years in addition to his duties as deputy Tax Assessor, he has worked in the Sheriff's office for Al Irvin, who said of him Monday that in all these years these years there was not a jar or a cross word between them. He was tax clerk, and was possibly the best posted man on tax matters in the county. He handled most of the state and county tax money as tax collector which during his term of six years must have ran up into the hundreds of thousands dollars, all of which Mr. Irvin says he kept strict account and he always felt just as safe with Eli Gilliland in charge of the public funds as if he himself had them.

Capt. John Trent said of him, "Callahan County has lost one of her very best citizens and does not realize it now but will later on."

Eli Gilliland was an honest, upright man and lived a clean, honorable, temperate, unostentatious life. His name so far as we know was never enrolled on any church book, but he believed in God and in his fellow man, and if a plain, honest life counts for anything, and no sane man doubts it, all is well with him. Profession and protestation, amount to nothing unless backed by right living and an upright life of man or woman. It is acts not profession that counts in this world, and who can doubt that the Divine hand that rules will finally judge man by his deeds and not by what he professes. For fifty years the writer has known Eli Gilliland and while a relative,

a cousin, he was also a friend. We never knew him to commit a mean or an ignoble act. He had his faults, and we do not pretend to claim otherwise. He doubtless made mistakes, few of us that have not, but he came about as near attending strictly to his own business, without meddling or interfering in the affairs of others as any man who ever lived in Baird. Without ostentation, for he despised display, he lived up to the Golden Rule without boasting. He lived an honest, upright life without blowing a trumpet to let the world know it. Whatever maybe said of Eli Gilliland he was not a Pharisee or a hypocrite he was just plain Eli Gilliland, and did not try to ape some one else.

He was an ardent Mason and later joined the Odd Fellows. He was a charter member of Baird Lodge first known as Belle Plaine Lodge No. 522 A. F. & M. instituted at old Belle Plaine in 1880 near twenty years ago. He was a Past Master in this lodge and of later years at the unanimous request of the members acted as Tiler of the Lodge, but sometime ago requested to be relieved on account of failing health. He was also a member of Baird Chapter No. 182 Royal Arch Masons and a member of Baird Lodge No. 271 I. O. O. F. of Baird.

We tender sincere sympathy to the widow and orphan children brother and sisters of our friend as well as relative. We know how you feel and know too that kind words, however well meant, cannot assuage the grief or dull the pain you feel. Time alone can do this. The familiar voice is silent and never again will we feel the touch of the vanished hand in this world, but some day we will all meet in the great beyond, where the pain and sorrow of this life will be forgotten.

He was conscious up to the very last and recognized relatives who hastily appeared when informed that he was dying. To some he said he wanted to live, but said he was not afraid to die. Like many others the duties of life weighed upon his mind in his last hours. At times during his illness he was heard to utter words in a half conscious state about the tax rolls on which he was at work when illness forced him to quit work. The last words he ever uttered were, "That will do." He said this several times, probably meant for those standing around his bedside trying to ease him in his dying moments.

Julius Norton, of Ft. Worth, spent Friday and Saturday here.

Miss Louie Surles left Monday for Polytechnic College, Ft. Worth.

Mrs. J. C. Barringer has returned from a visit relatives at Abilene.

Misses Isabel and Mattie Brock left Friday a visit to Haskell county.

J. H. Westerman and son, of Cross Plains, came in Wednesday and went from here to Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hughes, of Belle Plaine, have returned from an extended visit to Illinois.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Alvis, who have been visiting Mrs. Alvis' parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Chambliss, have returned to their home at Cisco.

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Mrs. C. E. Johnson and children are visiting relatives at Santo, Texas.

Uncle Tom Norrell came up Saturday from Cottonwood to see Eli Gilliland, who has worked for him as Deputy Assessor so long, and remained here until he died. Uncle Tom had to return home Sunday night on account of the illness of his wife.

Baird College.

The College opened yesterday for the term of 1908-9 under Prof. Flanniken. The attendance was good and the prospects for a good school are excellent. Let everyone do all they can to encourage the school. Baird for the last two years, in spite of everything, has retrograded in the school matters—not pleasant to say—but it is the truth and the cause well known. Probably we can remove the hindering cause and put the Public Schools at Baird on a firm basis. The College is different and depends solely on the patronage of the people of Baird. Let us help all we can.

Miss Inez Franklin returned home Sunday from a visit to friends at Ft. Worth and Strawn.

Mrs. Fritz after visiting her brother, J. J. Hamman and family for several days has returned to her home at Comanche.

H. Schwartz returned home Monday morning from St. Louis, where he purchased a large stock of fall and winter goods. Mrs. Schwartz went on to Chicago, but is expected home in a few days. Their new goods are arriving every day.

Mrs. A. M. Miller has returned from St. Louis, where she spent a week or more selecting her fall and winter stock of millinery. New goods are arriving every day and Mrs. Miller and her assistants are busy making preparations for opening day.

Mrs. J. W. Ward left Monday night for Los Angeles, California, where she will be for a few days. She will be joined by Mr. Ward, who will leave here on Sept. 4th at San Diego. They will then visit San Francisco, Portland, Oregon, Salt Lake Utah; Denver, Colorado and other points before returning home about Oct. 1st.—Big Springs Enterprise.

Boyd Whitehurst of Hubbard Creek, was in town Friday.

Fritz Zirix, who for the past seven years has lived at Sweetwater, has moved back to Baird.

Miss Patti Waller who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Corinne Barringer, for some time, returned to her home at Dallas Tuesday.

Miss Frenchie Emmons has returned from Cisco, where she has been having her eyes treated by a specialist.

Miss Kennedy, of Cottonwood, is the guest of Miss Alice Cutbirth this week.

Mrs. Ed Foy, after spending several days with relatives here returned to her home at Dallas Wednesday.

Capt. J. W. Jones was in from his ranch yesterday. Miss Willie Gilliland, who has been spending several days at the ranch returned home with him.

M. W. Uzzell and C. C. Ebbersol have rented the vacant store room in the home National Bank building and are having it fitted up preparatory to putting in a stock of gents furnishing goods. Both young men are well known in Baird and have had many years experience in the business. They will leave in a day or so for the eastern markets to buy their stock of goods. THE STAR wishes the new firm abundant success.

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SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

On Saturday Aug. 29, Mrs. E. C. Fulton entertained in honor of Mrs. Chas. Paylor, of Fort Worth. A contest of Gates to open was the afternoon's amusement. Mesdames J. B. Harmon and F. D. Driskill having the same number of answers cut for the prize, a Grecian Plaque, which fell to Mrs. Driskill. After the contest the guests were invited to the dining room where Misses Mattie Scott and Louise Rogers served punch and cake. The table was beautifully decorated with roses and fern.

Miss Jeanette Reagan was at home to her friends Thursday afternoon, Aug. 27. After the arrival of the guests each one was handed a lemon then ushered to the dining room which was artistically decorated with yellow and green. On the table were lemons scattered about in a mound of the green and each one was requested to take a lemon, count the seeds and put them in a jar, then each one guessed the number of seeds in the jar. Misses Ada Powell and Nannie Bell making the same guess cut for the prize a box of candy which fell to Miss Bell. Punch and a delicious salad course was served.

It is reported that J. D. Seay has rented out his home and will move to Dallas. We did not get to see Brown to verify the report, but suppose it is true.

W. K. Boatwright in company with Mr. Stephens, one of his old neighbors from Johnson county, made THE STAR office a pleasant call yesterday. Mr. Stephens came out to visit his old friend and to learn something more of the west.

M. G. Farmer has accepted a position with H. Schwartz.

Baptist Revival.

The Baptist revival at the Skating Rink is still going on with a good attendance.

Card of Thanks.

Mrs. J. E. Gilliland desires THE STAR in her behalf to tender her sincere thanks to the kind friends and neighbors for their unremitting care and assistance rendered her husband in his last illness and for the kindness and sympathy shown them in their sorrow.

Cotton Receipts.

The F. & M. Gin has been running for the last day or two pretty regular. They ginned the first bale Saturday a week ago, but no more cotton came in until this week. Receipts, new cotton, up to last night were 17 bales. The prices range about 8.50 and above.

Master Frank Phillips and little sister, Lillian, who have been visiting their aunts, Mrs. Driskill, Mrs. Austin and Miss Addie Day, for two months, will leave in few days for their home at Stephenville.

A. L. (Dolph) Tisdale, chief clerk and express agent at the depot here has been appointed agent for the T. & P. at Midland and he and Mrs. Tisdale left for that place Monday evening. John Fraser takes Dolph's place at the depot.

E. W. Cochran, of Guntown, Miss. cousin of City Marshal W. P. Cochran of Baird, and a brother of Mrs. Quilla Griffin, of Cottonwood, stopped over in Baird a day or so last week. Mr. Cochran is engaged in general merchandise and is seeking a location in Texas. He expressed himself as highly pleased with Baird and may locate here.